

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 5 as follows:

This application is a continuation in part of US Patent Application No. 10/379,378, filed March 3, 2003, naming Gustafsson et al. as inventors, and titled "Methods, Systems, and Software for Identifying Functional Bio-Molecules," and it is also a continuation in part of International Application No. PCT/US03/06551 filed March 3, 2003, naming Gustafsson et al. as inventors, both of which in turn claim ~~claims~~ the benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) of U.S.S.N. 60/360,982, filed March 1, 2002. ~~Both~~ Each of these documents are incorporated herein by reference in their entireties.

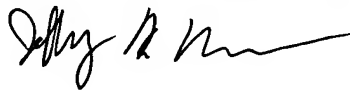
**REMARKS**

This amendment is made pursuant to 37 CFR 78(a) within four months of the filing date of the subject patent application. By this amendment, Applicants claim priority to International Application No. PCT/US03/06551 filed March 3, 2003 under 35 USC 120.

Applicants believe that all pending claims are allowable and respectfully requests a Notice of Allowance for this application from the Examiner. Should the Examiner believe that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, the undersigned can be reached at the telephone number set out below.

Respectfully submitted,

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